

FESTIVAL DU BOIS

Northern Forest Heritage Park is proud to present its Festival Du Bois.

Celebrating Wood, Paper, Traditional Arts and French Heritage, offering visitors the unique opportunity to experience the many remarkable elements of the Northern Forest and Great North Woods lifestyle.

Visitors and guests will be able to enjoy Quebec & regional musicians, singers, dancers, woodcarvers, basket makers, visual artists and much more.

Enjoy a variety of ethnic and traditional foods, specialty desserts, and bean supper.

Bring the whole family and give your children an experience they will never forget as they listen to the marvelous music and storytelling and traditional artists & artisans at work.



For More Information

Northern Forest Heritage Park

*On the banks of the Androscoggin River
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Located in the Great North Woods and the heart of the White Mountain National Forest, the Northern Forest Heritage Park Trust preserves, interprets and promotes the story of the working forest and the multi-cultural heritage of the region. Established in 1994 by a regional board of trustees, the Trust hosts forest, river and art exhibits, lectures, seminars, concerts, ethnic festivals, Summer Cultural Heritage Tours, lumberjack competitions and special blacksmith demonstrations and events. Self guided walking and driving tours are also available.

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Presents**

FESTIVAL DU BOIS

**"An International Celebration of
Wood, Paper, Arts and French
Heritage."**



**Saturday, July 28
11:00 – 7:00 pm**

**Admission: Adults - \$10.00
Children - \$5.00
(12 and under)
Under 3 - free**

Entertainment



CROWFOOT

With a fiery mix of traditional and contemporary music, drawing inspiration from the musical traditions of Quebec, England, Ireland, Appalachia, and beyond, Crowfoot is rapidly gaining a reputation from coast to coast as a hot contra dance band. Their energetic sound is full of spirit and groove, consistently delighting enthusiastic dancers and listeners alike. Members of Crowfoot are Adam Broome (guitar, cittern, vocals), Jaige Trudel (fiddle, cello, vocals) and Nicholas Williams (flutes, accordion, piano, vocals).

GRANITE STATE CLOGGERS

Since 1982, performance team has performed at events throughout the area including French Festivals. They dance not only to country, but rock, gospel, pop, and swing music as well as traditional folk. The Granite State Cloggers is a non-profit, volunteer group performing for the enjoyment and promotion of clog dancing.



MICHELE CHOINIERE

Michele was born into a musical Franco-American family in northern Vermont, and from an early age performed traditional music with her father Fabio. In 1995, she began writing and composing her own songs and has performed to audiences throughout New England, Quebec and France. On May 16, Michele was honored as the 2007 recipient of the **Governor's Heritage Award**, an annual honor presented to one artist and one teacher by the Vermont Folklife Center and Vermont Life Magazine.

THE RIENDEAU FAMILY FIDDLERS

The Riendeau Family Fiddlers are local fiddlers who have gotten toes tapping at past Stark Fiddlers Contests and past Festival Du Bois. The Riendeau Family Fiddlers are well known Smithsonian Folk Life Artists.

Other Local Musicians Performing

O'Neil Croteau – on accordion
Bob Baillargeon – on guitar & harmonica

BoBo the Clown

Local Artists & Artisans

On site at Le Festival Du Bois will be a variety of artists & artisans displaying their crafts including woodcarvers, painters, crafters and much more.

There will also be local authors along with copies of their works for book signings and discussion.

ETHNIC FOOD

Many local cooks have been whipping up some of their favorite French/Canadian recipes for this event including poutine, meat pies, hot turkey sandwiches, maple syrup, assorted pies, fruit bars, endless desserts and an authentic "Bean Hole Supper".

Vendors will also offer traditional American foods such as: *Hot dogs, Hamburgers, French Fries, Fried Dough, and Cotton Candy.*

FUN FOR THE KIDS

Festival Du Bois is fun for the entire family. Children will enjoy crafts, an obstacle course, and storytelling. Complimentary face painting with dozens of designs to choose from will also be on site.

Program is subject to change.